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PRESIDENTS MESSAGE — June 2020

Cindy Cagle

Unfortunately, we will not being meeting for the month of June. I have been in constant contact with the Columbus Community Center, which still remains closed. According to them the center is not able to open at this time, and they are trying desperately to gain approval from the mayor to do so. Hopefully, we can overcome this, and other current obstacles, and meet to learn about and discuss our wonderful hobby – coins, soon. I know that a lot of you have questions about what is going on and how it affects the coin club. You are welcome to email me with any questions or concerns at: cindycagle026@gmail.com. I will try and answer them or let everyone know at the first club meeting we have when allowed to meet. I will need to have a meeting with the board members to decide on what is the best answer to give the society, as well as to figure out how we shall proceed at the next available meeting, which we all pray will be soon. I hope that everyone had a safe and happy Memorial Day. I would like to thank all of our servicemen and women who have served, especially those who sacrificed their all in order to keep this Country free.

Thank you, Cindy Cagle UNS President

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No Meeting for June

Due to the Coved-19 / Corona Virus

1921 Peace Dollar **Doug Nyholm**

Collecting Peace Dollars has always taken a back seat to the ever more popular Morgan design. I have collected complete sets of both designs (with the exception of the 1895 coin) and have always enjoyed not only collecting Morgan's but their design as well when compared to the Peace Dollar. I have read however, that when the Morgan dollar was released the design was not well accepted whereas initially in 1921 the American public was excited with the Peace Dollar design. We are lucky that the vast majority of Morgan dollars have survived in relatively high grade, even those that did circulate rarely became worn out. Growing up in the western United States my parents operated a small grocery store and gas station in South Dakota. This is when and where my coin collecting interests were sparked. I fondly remember receiving many Morgan and Peace dollars at face value for merchandise and taking rolls of them to the bank for deposit. We lived less and 50 miles from Montana which was probably, along with Nevada, a silver dollar hot spot for their circula-



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tion. Rarely did they circulate on the east coast rather than an occasionally oddity.

Again, Peace Dollars were never one of my favorites and in all the time I saw them in circulation the only dates I ever saw were those from 1922 to 1926. Not once did I ever see a Peace dollar dated 1927 or later nor did I ever get a 1921 in change. Of all the dates for Peace Dollars I did however always like the high relief 1921 date. Obviously, there was something different about this date and the relief really stood out among all the other dates.



Of all the 1921 Peace Dollars most I have encountered as a collector most have been slightly worn, or as will be discussed, rather poorly struck. Collecting Peace Dollars in high grade is quite a challenge especially in MS-64 and they even become significantly harder in MS-65. I once handled a complete set of Peace Dollars for Heritage all in MS-65+ and they were a site to behold. It took the collector well over a decade to assemble that set.

Recently a 1921 Peace Dollar graded MS-67 crossed the auction block at Heritage. This was truly a beautiful coin and probably as well struck as a 1921 can be. Even this being so, I wouldn't' consider it 100% struck, as I don't believe that any 1921 coins are. There are a few Proof 1921 Peace dollars which seem to be the standard for fully struck and I'm not sure that even these Proof examples can be considered fully struck. The MS-67 examples and certainly the rare proofs are an arm and a leg above the rest and jump out at you even from a distance.

A few details about the 1921 Peace Dollar are that it was originally devised as a

commemorative to celebrate the end of World War I in 1918. This was far different than the origin and reasons for the Morgan dollar which was authorized by the Bland-Allison Act of 1878 which basically served the silver mining interests of the western mines. The Peace Dollar which was intended as a commemorative and was also meant to be released into general circulation at face value. It was late in the year of 1920 when the Commemorative Committee convened to discuss the project. The criteria were that everyone who wanted one could acquire one at face value. The approval came almost a year later on November 17, 1921 and the artist, Anthony de Francisci's submission, was unanimously chosen as the winning design.

Coinage production began on Dec. 28, 1921 and the mint produced more than 250,000 per day for the next four days totaling 1,006,473 coins dated 1921. This pace was partly the reason that the strike was not good on the vast majority of coins leaving a scant few with sharp details. The other reason was the design of the images on both the obverse and reverse dies. Because of the die opposition the high point on the obverse near the hair curls at Liberty's ear was directly opposite the high point near the Eagles breast on the reverse. There just wasn't enough metal under the standard striking pressure to fill all the detail and it shows up most predominately on Liberty's hair. Only about a dozen coins have graded MS-67 by both PCGS and NGC. These high-end coins and even MS-65 and Ms-66 examples can and do sell for thousands of dollars depending upon their perfection. No coins have been graded higher than MS-67. When encountered the 1921 high relief gem coin is a wonder to behold.



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A MODERN RARITY

Doug Nyholm

For those of you who collect modern coins the Mint is planning just such a special coin which will most likely become a 'Modern Rarity.' Recently there have been many special releases, special finishes, and even special sets which have a limited run. Most of these have collectors waiting at the ready in front of their computers to pounce on the 'enter key' in order to assure their orders are accepted. Many of these issues have jumped in price on the after market as soon as the issue limit has been met by these initial orders, sometimes lasting only a couple of minutes.

Well get your fingers to the ready for the granddaddy of modern mint limited mintages. This coin is a 1-ounce gold American Eagle with a 'privy mark' commemorating the 75th Anniversary of the End of World War II. Now for the good, or bad news, depending upon how fast your finger or computer is, that the total mintage will be limited to only 1,945 coins! The number significant to the year 1945 that marked the end of the war.

This number is by leaps and bounds smaller than anything the mint has previously done, and I am thinking that there will be an outcry from collectors and this mint created rarity. Of course, unless you are one of the luck 1945 collectors who get lucky. This mintage is in line with coins such as the 1856 Flying Eagle Cent which almost 200 years later can easily top \$15-\$20,000 dollars. And even though this coin is gold there are probably more collectors of modern coinage series than there are collectors willing to pay \$20,000 for an 1856 Flying Eagle cent to complete that set. Could this coin top the \$10,000 mark within a few years? I am almost sure that if you get one in a 70 holder it is definitely possible.

Details of how the distribution will take place have not been released. Comments have been flying around



about the Mint and its connections to major dealers which have also previously angered collectors. Pricing and dates are also still forthcoming.

I was once under the understanding that the mint did not want to create artificial rarities but that has now certainly changed. Could this possibly be just one more nail in the coffin that pushes collectors and customers away from future mint products. It is getting more and more difficult for modern collectors to be able to complete their sets of modern coinage and more frustrating to have that gap or unfilled hole in their albums which they will never be able to afford. Time will tell.



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Great Collections Auction 1

Doug Nyholm

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Part 1 of the massive sale of Mormon currency has concluded. This auction was conducted by Great Collections in Irving California. There were almost 300 pieces of currency with the final installment to be completed next week. A follow up will appear in next months Mint Master.

It appears to me that the majority of the collection sold well below recent market prices. Following is a link for all the currency, both Mormon and non-Mormon items sold by Great Collections. This was supplied directly by Ian Russell, owner of Great Collections. Noted below are several notable items which topped \$1,000 each.

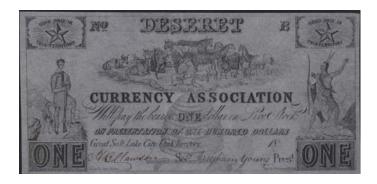
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Oct-9-1858-Great-Salt-Lake-City-Utah-Territory-2-Deseret-Currency-Association-Rust-96-PMG-Very-Fine-30 \$1,237.50





Mar-9-1837-Kirtland-Ohio-10-Kirtland-Safety-Society-Bank-Note-Rust-8-Smith-Rigdon-PMG-Extremely-Fine-40 \$2,025,00



Kirtland-Ohio-5-Kirtland-Safety-Society-Bank-Countersigned-Note-Rust-70-Smith-Rigdon-Whitney-Kimball-Young-Bullock-Initials-PMG-Very-Fine-30 **\$6,468.75**



Jan-4-1837-Kirtland-Ohio-3-Kirtland-Safety-Society-Bank-quotAnti-Bankingquot-Note-Rust-14-Williams-Whitney-PMG-Very-Good-10 **\$1,350.00**



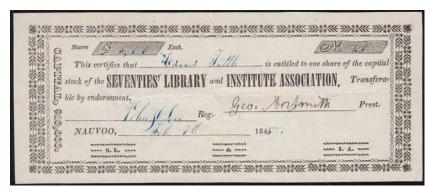
Jan-4-1837-Kirtland-Ohio-Kirtland-Safety-Society-Bank-1-quotAnti-Bankingquot-Note-Williams-Smith-Rust -12-PMG-Choice-Fine-15 **\$2,164.49**



Mar-9-1837-Kirtland-Ohio-1-Kirtland-Safety-Society-Bank-Note-Smith-Regan-Rust-4-PMG-Fine-12 **\$2,164.50**



1835-38-Monroe-Michigan-3-Bank-of-Monroe-Note-Hathaway-Cowdery-Rust-21-PMG-Very-Fine-20 **\$1,806.00**



Feb-7-1845-Nauvoo-Illinois-Seventies-Library-and-Institute-Association-5-Per-Share-Certificate-Rust-30-PMG-Extremely-Fine-40 \$5,337.55



Mar-7-1842-Nauvoo-Illinois-1-City-of-Nauvoo-Note-Sloan-Bennett-Rust-33-PCGS-Currency-Very-Fine-30-Apparent \$13,062.50



May-1-1896-St-George-Stake-Utah-10-Cents-St-George-Stake-Tithing-Storehouse-Note-Rust-234-PCGS-Currency-Fine-12-Apparent-Eric-P-Newman-Collection \$12,937.50



ND-Salt-Lake-City-Utah-25-Cents-Beaver-Wool-Manufacturing-amp-Milling-Co-Note-Shepherd-Farnsworth -Rust-150-PCGS-Currency-Fine-12-Apparent-Eric-P-Newman-Collection \$2,587.50



Fr-382-Salt-Lake-City-Utah-Territory-1-The-Salt-Lake-City-National-Bank-of-Utah-Note-Original-Series-Allison-Spinner-PMG-Very-Fine-20 **\$5,962.50**



Oct-1-1871-Salt-Lake-City-Utah-Zions-Co-op-Mercantile-Institution-100-Share-Stock-Certificate-PMG-Choice-Very-Fine-35-EPQ \$3,682.12

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JULY - UNS Picnic

AUGUST - Artificial Toning / Speaker

SEPTEMBER - Bourse

OCTOBER - Speaker

NOVEMBER - Election / Show & Tell

DECEMBER - Christmas Dinner





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	A)	Naira	B)	Denar
	C)	Dirham	D)	Leu
2.	Wha	t is the Malaysian currency	call	ed?
	A)	Rupee	B)	Sol
	C)	Krona	D)	Ringgit
3. What is the Thailand currency called?				
	A)	Shekel	B)	Baht
	C)	Leu	D)	Rupiah
4.	Wha	t is Sri Lanka currency calle	ed?	
	A)	Rupee	B)	Rupiah
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EDITOR'S MESSAGE

I hope that all of you reading the Mint Master enjoy this issue. I had to put it together at the 11th hour as this month has been extremely busy for me. First, I had to put a new roof on my home, then I had all the windows washed inside and out. But finally, I had all the carpeting replaced in my basement, two bedrooms and the living room. The catch to this was one of the bedrooms was being used as my library and study. I had 6 floor-toceiling bookcases and stacks of old auction catalogues complexly filling the closet. There were at least 15,000 pounds of books I had to move out and then move back. My back is still holding up, but I don't ever want to do that again. I knew where everything was and now it is re-organized, and I am still looking for things.

In other Mint Master news, I was informed by Mont Toronto who has been doing the 'Cull of The Wild' article that it will be on hiatus until this fall due to other commitments. I have asked Phil Clark if he has time to put some News & Views articles together for us in the meantime. I enjoy writing and research and once again



would like any of you club members to supply something for the Mint Master, no matter how small or large. There are a lot of people outside the UNS who read the Mint Master and are always interested in local club publications. Wayne Homren who publishes the E-Sylum liked my article last month about the 1794 Starred Reverse Large Cent and will be republishing it in that publication. If any of you would be interesting in getting on the mailing list for the E-Sylum it is free and published weekly. I don't know how he does it but he puts out about 80 pages of great information each week. Just Google 'The E-Sylum' and all the information is there or contact Wayne at whomren@gmail.com.

I also see that the NUTS club had their May meeting at an outside location and things, at least in Utah are starting to get back to some form of normal. Most all of the major conventions have been cancelled but it looks like the Pittsburg ANA August 4-8 is still on schedule pending final decisions. I sure hope that the UNS will be able to get back to meetings soon as our June meeting is cancelled. July is our picnic and will be outside so cross your fingers. Please see the flyer in this edition regarding the June 20th Bottle show in Sandy, hopefully everything will go fine for this interesting show.

BOOK REVIEW

Doug Nyholm

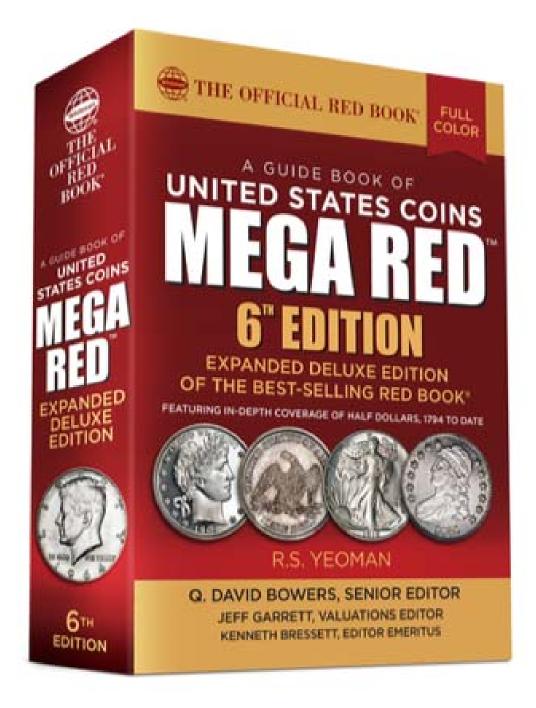
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The 6th edition of Whitman's "Mega Red Book" is now available for ordering. I should be receiving my copy any day now but not it time to review for this Mint Master. It is available from Whitman for \$49.95.



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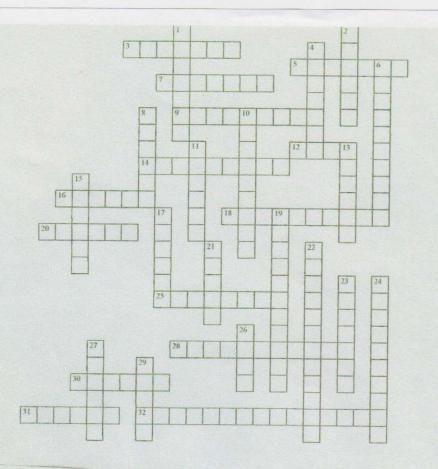
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- 9 Carries Jean Baptiste, her pappouse in this image.
- 12 Not yellow snow, but___
- 14 Special coins sold by the mint.
- 16 Often used metal for coins.
- 18 Fifty Cents.
- 20 The number was used before this was.
- 25 Liberty.
- 28 Popular coin of 1794-1795.
- 30 When mentioned you may want to go to a salon.
- 31 Bust.
- 32 Special coins for specific events.

DOWN

- 1 Back of coin.
- 2 Most commonly collected coin.
- 4 Also called an Indian Head.
- 6 Big, weighty & has a bell & moon on it.
- 8 Common metal.
- 10 Name given to this early bill.
- 11 Handshake is common to see on these coins.
- 13 This eagle is made of gold.
- 15 of Eight.
- 17 Spelling for one ten cent piece.
- 19 Early cent.
- 21 Gaudens/Great artist.
- 22 Something we all are.
- 23 Front of coin.
- 24 Designed by Robert Scot and used from 1796-1807.
- 26 Used in pennies.
- 27 Liberty got tired on this coin.
- 29 This dollar represents what we all would like to see.

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- 2. D Ringgit
- 3. B Baht
- 4. A Rupee
- 5. C Rupiah